



UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

December 12, 1995

Mr. Robert E. Busch
President - Energy Resources Group
Northeast Utilities Service Company
c/o Mr. Richard M. Kacich
P.O. Box 128
Waterford, CT 06385

Dear Mr. Busch:

On August 21, 1995, as supplemented August 28, 1995, the NRC received a petition under 10 CFR 2.206 which requested NRC shutdown Millstone Unit 1 and take enforcement action based upon alleged violations of licensed activities related to operation of spent fuel pool cooling systems and refueling practices. At a public meeting on December 5, 1995, in New London, Connecticut, the NRC Acting Inspector General (IG) stated that certain of your activities may have been conducted in violation of license requirements and that refueling activities may not have been conducted consistent with the Millstone Unit 1 Updated Final Safety Analysis Report (UFSAR). The staff will review the IG investigation report, when issued, in order to determine what enforcement action, if any, is appropriate. As you are aware, NRC's Office of Investigations is also conducting an investigation of these matters.

The NRC's approval of Amendment No. 89 to the Millstone Unit 1 operating license to authorize full-core offload to the spent fuel pool as a normal end-of-cycle event was based upon design changes, procedure revisions and enhanced administrative controls which did not exist during prior refueling activities.

While we have not yet completed our investigations and reviews related to past refueling activities, the NRC requires that additional information be submitted under oath or affirmation, pursuant to Section 182a of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, and 10 CFR 50.54(f), no later than seven (7) days prior to Millstone Unit 1 restart from its current refueling outage (i.e., not later than 7 days prior to reactor criticality). This information will be used to decide whether or not the license of Millstone Unit 1 should be suspended, modified or revoked, or other enforcement action taken. Specifically, you should describe what actions you have taken to ensure that future operation of Millstone Unit 1 will be conducted in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Millstone Unit 1 operating license, the Commission's regulations, including 10 CFR 50.59, and the Millstone Unit 1 UFSAR.

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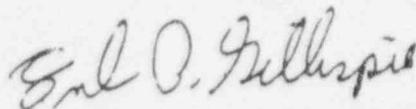
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This requirement affects nine or fewer respondents and, therefore, is not subject to the Office of Management and Budget review under P.L. 95-511.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "W. T. Russell". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "W. T." and the last name "Russell" clearly distinguishable.

William T. Russell, Director
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Docket No. 50-245

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